

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3 - 20 are presently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Chen *et al.* (6,243,498). In addition, the Examiner allowed Claims 3 - 20.

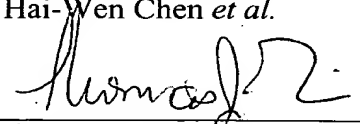
In the Response to Arguments, the Examiner objected to the phrase “noise reducing constant **and one**” as that phrase is used in Claim 1 as previously amended. The Examiner suggested that an unmodified signal is readable as a signal multiplied by unity (one).

Accordingly, by this Amendment, Applicants have removed the “and one” phraseology and associated language from the claim. Accordingly, Claim 1 should now be allowable along with Claims 3 - 20.

As no new issues have been presented for consideration, entry of this Amendment, reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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